Revised scales in N.P.C.C.

†3023. SHRI BHAGWATI SINGH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Public Sector Undertakings have been revamped by Government during the last year 2008;

(b) if so, whether in the name of revamping Government would issue any guidelines regarding the revised scales of the workers of N.P.C.C. Limited which is pending from 1992; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VINCENT PALA): (a) The Government has approved a revival package for NPCC Limited which in turn aims of enabling the Corporation to engage in various development programmes in the country.

(b) and (c) While Conveying Government's decision on revival package for the NPCC Ltd., the Government has not issued any guidelines regarding the revised scales of the workers of NPCC Ltd. However, NPCC has sanctioned Interim Relief to all its workers with effect from 1.1.2007 after arriving at a negotiated agreement with the representatives of its various Unions, pending final settlement of wage revision through negotiations with the Unions.

Commercialisation of water supply

†3024. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that water supply has been given a commercialised form by many industrialists in the country;

(b) if so, the names of the big companies engaged in this business at present;

(c) the percentage of water being used commercially in the country;

(d) whether it is also a fact that more and more underground water is extracted because of its commercial utilization; and

(e) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VINCENT PALA): (a) to (e) There are several reports about marketing of drinking water by some of the industries. However, detailed information in this regard is not maintained by Ministry of Water Resources.

Contaminated water

†3025. DR. PRABHA THAKUR: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

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